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**NEWS SUMMARY**

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**Kewaunee man charged with receipt and possession of child pornography**

Steven M. Biskupic, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, announced today that a federal grand jury has returned an indictment charging Timothy E. Kriescher, 42, of Kewaunee, with receipt and possession of child pornography. According to the indictment, Kriescher used a computer to receive images of children engaging in sexually explicit conduct and to possess such images. If convicted of the possession charge, Kriescher faces a maximum of ten years in prison and a fine of \$250,000. If convicted of the receipt charge, he faces a mandatory minimum sentence of five years in prison, and a maximum of 20 years in prison.

The case stems from an investigation by Oregon and Illinois ICE agents. Assistance has also been provided by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

According to United States Attorney Steven M. Biskupic, "the Department of Justice has made the protection of our nation's children a top priority through Project Safe Childhood, and prosecutions such as this further that priority." He added: "The message from this case is that those involved in the receipt or distribution of child pornography will be prosecuted and will face real time in federal prison."

The public is cautioned that an indictment is merely the formal method of returning charges against an individual and does not constitute evidence of his or her guilt. A person is presumed innocent until such time, if ever, as the government establishes his or her guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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